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- 13. A mass spectrometric system for the characterization of substance ions, consisting of
 - (a) a substance supply system which supplies the substances in recognizable peaks,
 - (b) an ion source for the ionization of substance molecules from the substance peaks,
 - (c) a plurality of temporary stores of sufficient size for the temporary storage of all ions from a substance peak,
 - (d) a mass spectrometer capable of various types of $_{10}$ analyses on portions of ions, and
 - (e) a control system which recognizes the substance peaks, stores the ions of a peak in an empty store, and causes the mass spectrometer to analyze the ions, portion by portion, in various predetermined ways.
- 14. Device as in claim 13, wherein several temporary stores are present in series between the ion source and mass spectrometer for the collection of ions from several substance peaks.
- 15. Device as in claim 14, wherein a first of the temporary 20 stores is located in the first stage of a differential pump unit,

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which is kept at a pressure range between 5×10^{-4} and 5×10^{-2} millibar by a vacuum pump.

- 16. Device as in claim 13, wherein at least one of the temporary stores is designed as a wire-coiled double helix, with connections to voltages from an RF generator and with terminal reflectors.
- 17. Device as in claim 16, wherein at least one of the reflectors is a double spiral with a connection to the RF voltage of the RF generator of the double helix.
- 18. Device as in claim 13, wherein the ions in the temporary stores are subject to a thrust in an axial direction of at least one of the temporary stores through electrical fields.
- 19. Device as in claim 18, wherein the ion thrust in an axial direction is formed by the pseudopotential which results from a conical design of a temporary store having such thrust
 - 20. Device as in claim 13, wherein a last of the temporary stores has a gas supply line through which a reactant gas can be fed.

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